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Classified by Polcouns John Kunstadter; reasons 1.5 b and d.

(C) Poloff March 25 delivered Reftel talking points to Serra Erarslan, head of the MFA Iraq and Gulf Countries Department. Erarslan said the GOT opposes discussion of Iraq in the General Assembly. She said the GOT will consider the USG position urging allies to support the Coalition effort in any open UNSC session on Iraq, but she did not know whether the GOT would instruct its Permrep to speak at such a session.

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